

vertical direction, when an external force is applied to the propulsion unit 16 through the cylindrical element 55 of the upper pivot member 24 from the tilt cylinder 21 with an intention of swinging the propulsion unit 16, the external force is divided and borne approximately evenly by the upper portion of the propulsion unit 16 and the securing members 72.

[Para 46] Of course those skilled in the art will readily understand that the described embodiments are only exemplary of forms that the invention may take and that various changes and modifications may be made without departing from the spirit and scope of the invention, as defined by the appended claims.